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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2007 for one (1) month from February 14, 2008 to March 14, 2008. Please charge the fee of \$120.00 provided in:

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